

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HASTINGLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL
ON 9th JANUARY 2024 HELD IN EVINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Day (Chair) Cllr Dryland
Cllr Hill
Borough Cllr Betty and the Clerk.

		To be actioned by
1.	To receive and approve apologies for absence.	
	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Helmer and Jakeman.	
2.	To receive declarations of interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.	
	There were no declarations of interest made.	
3.	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2023	
	The minutes were signed as a true record.	
4.	To discuss matters arising from the above minutes not covered by the agenda.	
	There were no matters arising to discuss.	
5.	To receive reports from the Borough Councillor	
	<p>Cllr Betty had circulated his report.</p> <p>Cllr Betty added that the call for sites window closed at the end of November. The list of sites is to be circulated to Clerks at the end of January and will include all sites put forward; this is not a list of what will definitely be in the Local Plan.</p> <p>There are central Government grants available.</p> <p>The new refuse contract starts in March, Suez are undertaking the collection, there could a change in collection dates, there is a Teams meeting about it on 25/01 at 6pm.</p> <p>The Borough Councillors report had noted a project called Dahlia; the acronym was explained as Desirable, Affordable Housing Linking Independence (and) Age.</p>	
6.	Public Session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item	
	There were no members of public in attendance.	
7.	To receive an update on the Football Field/Pond	
	Cllrs Dryland and Jakeman will undertake the work on the assets at the Pond and Football field. Benches to be oiled in the Spring.	
8.	To agree action over the Les Johnson Community Award 2024	
	The Clerk will place a request for nominations in the magazine for March with the intention to present the award at an event in May/June.	
9.	Planning matters: to authorise a response to any application(s) and to note any recent planning decisions by Ashford Borough Council or any correspondence on planning matters	
	<p>Planning Applications had been received for the following:</p> <p>Lyddendane House – no objections</p>	

	<p>Stokeys Gate – a resubmission had been provided following a request from the Planning Officer. The Clerk is to respond acknowledging changes but highlighting that our comments still stand. A condition for personal use will be requested.</p> <p>Stone Cottage – The PC noted the application for the Lawful Development Certificate application for 2 residential properties.</p>	
10.	Financial matters:	
	<p>To approve the following financial documents:</p> <p>To note the Parish Council’s financial position. The Parish Council noted it had £1,866.62 in the bank account.</p> <p>To authorise any payments The payments were authorised: HMRC - £100.40 Clerk’s salary (January) - £200.79 Clerk’s salary (February) - £200.79</p>	
11.	To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment.	
	The Parish Council considered the Risk Assessment and there were no changes to be made.	
12.	Any Other Business (for information purposes only):	
	<p>Cllr Dryland mooted the idea for installing a car park on the Village Green at Becket’s Close. This is a Borough Council asset and would need to be discussed directly with them.</p> <p>The Highways report from Cllr Helmer was noted.</p>	
12.	Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council.	
	<p>Tuesday 12th March 2024 Tuesday 14th May 2024</p>	

Signed:

Date: